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SUBJ: SOVIET PRESS SUMMARY - AUGUST 1

1. CSCE.

A. COVERAGE REMAINS EXTENSIVE, THOUGH WITHOUT SUBSTANTIVE COMMENTARY. ALL PRESS FRONT-PAGES BREZHNEV'S SPEECH (WITH NOTATION THAT SPEECH WAS FOLLOWED BY "STORMY, CONTINUING APPLAUSE") AND EVENING NATIONAL TV REPLAYED THE SPEECH IN ITS ENTIRETY. ATMOSPHERE PIECES BY ZHUKOV IN PRAVDA AND BOVIN IN IZVESTIYA HIT NEW HIGHS IN PRAISE FOR PERSONAL ROLE OF BREZHNEV. ZHUKOV PIECE CONSISTS LARGELY OF EXCERPTS TAKEN VERBATIM FROM BREZHNEV SPEECH, WITH WORDS OF PRAISE FROM HUSAK ON PERSONAL ROLE OF BREZHNEV ADDED. TRUDEAU IS ALSO QUOTED AS RECOGNIZING BREZHNEV'S ROLE AS THE "INITIATOR" OF THE CONFERENCE. ZHUKOV MANAGES AGAIN TO ATTACK "SOME WESTERN POLITICOS" WHO REMAIN FAITHFUL TO COLD WAR COMMANDMENTS. BOVIN NOTES BREZHNEV'S BUSY SCHEDULE, PRAISES USEFULNESS OF MANY BILATERAL MEETINGS HE IS HOLDING WITH OTHER LEADERS. BOVIN ALSO QUOTES THE SECRETARY THAT PRESIDENT'S MEETING WITH BREZHNEV WAS HELD IN "VERY FRINEDLY" ATMOSPHERE AND THAT IT PROVED "USEFUL FOR SOVIET-AMERICAN RELATIONS." BOVIN CONCLUDES PIECE BY NOTING THAT "OF COURSE, WHEN THE XOVJET UNION SPEAKS, EVERYONE LISTENS. BUT NOT BECAUSE WE ARE A GUGE LAND OR BECAUSE WE HAVE MANY ROCKETS. THEY LISTEN BECAUSE THE SOLUTIONS WE PROPOSE ARE BENEFICIAL TO ALL."

B. ALL CENTRAL PRESS FRONT-PAGES BREZHNEV'S MEETINGS WITH ZHIVKOV, KADAR, HUSAK, TRUDEAU. PRAVDA ALSO FRONT-PAGES GROMYKO'S MEETING WITH DEMIREL.

C. ALL CENTRAL PRESS REPRINTS TASS PARAPHRASES AND UNCLASSIFIED

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EXCERPTS FROM SECOND-DAY SPEAKERS. WESTERN SPEAKERS ALL RECEIVE VERY LITTLE SPACE -- IN MOST CASES NO MORE THAN SEVERAL PARAGRAPHS. ALL PRESS CONTINUES TO REPLAY INTERNATIONAL COMMENTARY ON CSCE, THOUGH WITH NO ITEMS FOR THE U.S.

2. BILATERAL. IZVESTIYA IN SIGNED REPORT NOTES EXHIBITION OF HERMITAGE PAINTINGS IN THE U.S., SAYS THAT U.S.

REACTION HAS BEEN VERY FAVORABLE. ARTICLE REPORTS THAT U.S. AND WESTERN EUROPEAN PAINTINGS FROM U.S. MUSEUMS WILL BE EXHIBITED IN THE SOVIET UNION.

3. BERLIN. IZVESTIYA AND RED STAR IN SIGNED COMMENTARIES CASTIGATE THE BRITISH FOR EARLY RELEASE FROM PRISON OF BERLINER WHO SHOT AND WOUNDED SOVIET SOLDIER IN WEST BERLIN IN 1970.

4. CYPRUS. PRAVDA HAS A BRIEF TASS ANNOUNCEMENT THAT THE DENKTASH-CLERIDES TALKS HAVE RESUMED IN VIENNA WITH THE "PARTICIPATION OF UNSYG WALDHEIM."

5. PORTUGAL. PRAVDA'S FOREIGN NEWS LEADER REPORTS THE REVOLUTIONARY COUNCIL HAS ENDORSED THE AFM ASSEMBLY'S DECISION TO ENTRUST POWER TO THE THREE - MAN POLITICAL DIRECTORATE. THE ARTICLE ALSO NOTES THE COUNCIL "EXPRESSED CONFIDENCE" IN GONCALVES. SECOND TASS ITEM REPORTS COSTA GOMES' ANNOUNCEMENT THAT A NEW GOVERNMENT HAS BEEN FORMED, THE COMPOSITION OF WHICH WILL BE GIVEN AFTER THE PRESIDENT'S RETURN FROM HELSINKI. THIRD ITEM BY SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT SEDYKH SAYS THE CRISIS SITUATION IN PORTUGAL "CAUSED BY THE SOCIALISTS' SCHISMATIC POLICY" REMAINS SERIOUS. WORKERS ARE SAID TO BE CONCERNED AT THE VIOLENCE AND TERRORIST ACTS AGAINST COMMUNIST ACTIVISTS.

6. AFRICA. PRAVDA REPORTS THAT IN ANGOLA THE FNLA IS PREPARING TO "STORM" LUANDA. COVERAGE OF THE OAU SESSION IN KAMPALA CONTAINS NO MENTION OF ANY DISCUSSION OF ISRAELI SUSPENSION OR EXPULSION FROM THE U.N.

7. LATIN AMERICA. PRAVDA AND RED STAR CARRY COMMENTARIES UNCLASSIFIED

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WELCOMING THE OAS RESOLUTION LIFTING THE EMBARGO OF CUBA. RED STAR SAYS THAT THE OAS IS A U.S. TOOL FOR DOMINATING LATIN AMERICA. PRAVDA AND IZVESTIYA REPORT THE STATE DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN'S COMMENT THAT THE U.S. IS READY FOR SERIOUS TALKS WITH CUBA, BUT THAT A NUMBER OF PROBLEMS REMAIN. MATLOCK

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